

UNION CENTER FIRE COMPANY
COMPANY MEETING

July 2, 2012

PRESENT: M. Henry, M. Belensky, W. Miga, B. Dieffenbacher, A. Green, S. Bealo, B. Bealo, D. Kerila, J. Mann, J. Brown, F. Trzcinski, J. Drotar, C. Hoyt, D. Hill, D. Hoeflein, K. Miga

CALLED TO ORDER: 19:37

MINUTES FROM 06/04/2012 **ACCEPTED:** Motion by B. Bealo, seconded by F. Trzcinski

TREASURER'S REPORT

Activity checking: \$15,755.11
General checking: \$16,040.39

Activity: \$5167.81
2% Money: \$10,030.53

Total checking: \$31, 795.50

- We just got our 2% money and received about \$600 more than last year.
- We received a grant for \$1000, with thanks to D. Hill, for forestry equipment. We must spend \$2000 and will get \$1000 in return.
- I think that we broke even or less on the chicken barbecue, but a good time was had by all.

Motion to accept: A. Green, seconded by J. Drotar

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Free Binghamton Mets tickets are available for First Responders Night on 07/12/2012 at NYSEG stadium. You need to show your tag to get the free tickets. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 9 to 5. All of the information is on broomefire.com.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Board and monthly business meeting on 08/06/2012 will take place at Station 2 because a state class is being held at Station 1.

The reason that the monument has not been moved yet is because the Town needs to move it on a day when the weather is not good enough for their employees to do their everyday jobs.

Back door at Station 1 is broken and A. Green is getting estimates for repairs.

There is no news on the land deal at Station 2; the lawyer said that the problem between the surveyor and the owner needs to be resolved and there is nothing we can do but wait.

The physical packet online has been updated and the new information has been included.

Siren at Station 2 is not working; we will be contacting the proper people to get this repaired.

OFFICER REPORTS

CHIEF:

- The 2012 emergency response orange HAZMAT books have arrived at the County. I will be placing them on the rigs.
- Forestry grant (thanks D. Hill) equipment list is being finalized; we will be upgrading our tools and I will be working with the officers on this.
- We have received assistance from the County for a grant for a new training dummy. Chief Hoyt did a lot of the research on it. We were very limited regarding what we could get. The grant is for \$1400. The dummy will be considered federal property and can be used by anyone outside the company at their request. Once the paperwork is finalized, we will be getting the dummy.
- Each station has a new policy book with PESH policies and our bylaws (same as on the web site). They are in black binders.
- BOGs are done and just need to be printed; they will be placed in a binder at each station.
- Equipment that we ordered is slowly trickling in. Portable deck gun (for use by one person) is going to go on the Squad. New portable pump is in; a submersible pump which will run off a generator.
- Some new gear has arrived, for those who have been waiting for it.

FIRST ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- I have not been here a lot, but thanks to everyone who worked at the chicken barbecue
- Endwell's ice cream social will be on 07/11/2012 from 5-9 p.m. Training has been moved to 07/10/2012 and will not be held on 07/11/2012, so everyone is free to go to the ice cream social.
- Ladders that are being sold with Engine 1 and the 35-foot ladder should not be tested when ladder testing is done this year.

SECOND ASSISTANT CHIEF:

- Ladder testing is supposed to be scheduled for next week; date TBD. (M. Henry will send A. Silvestri an e-mail to mark Engine 1 ladders and 35-foot ladders as not to be tested.)

DAY CAPTAIN: None.

NIGHT CAPTAIN: None.

FIRST LIEUTENANT: None.

SECOND LIEUTENANT: None.

FIRE POLICE CAPTAIN: None.

EMS: None.

FIRE MARSHAL:

- New ePCR and fire reporting system is on both computers at Station 2 and the computer here at Station 1. This will be starting up in August. Training will take place on 07/10/2012 at Station 1 at 18:30; this training will take the place of Wednesday training on 07/11/2012. Med team people, bring your laptop if you want this installed on it.

SAFETY OFFICER:

- The weather is HOT! Remember to keep hydrated.

AUXILIARY:

- There is discussion being held about holding a summer company picnic and possible dates for this.

MAINTENANCE:

- All pump test and vehicle maintenance is complete. No major repairs needed to be done.
- Electronic repair form on website is working well; keep using it.

AIR/CASCADE:

- Everything is in service that I know about.

TRAINING:

- Congratulations to B. Smack for completing Firefighter 1.
- State class for Rescue Tech starts 07/23/2012. It will be taking place on Mondays and Wednesdays; don't forget about it if you signed up for this. We will most likely be using the Rescue, but people who are not signed up can continue to hold training using other apparatus.
- Regarding changing training days from Wednesday to Tuesday to hold joint training with Maine, the majority who responded can attend on Tuesdays. This

will not happen until the mid to end of August as we need to complete our state classes.

- Defensive driving class will take place on 08/18/2012; times TBA.
- EVOG training is 09/22/2012 in Maine.
- Training hours will be posted as soon as I send them, but it did not appear that anyone who is active now was short any hours.
- Training is cancelled for 07/04/2012 and 07/07/2012.

HEALTH: No report.

AUDIT: No report.

PARADE: No report.

SOCIAL: No report.

BYLAW: No report.

B. C. FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION:

- Meeting is on Friday.

WEB SITE:

- Site upgrade is in progress. I will send out an e-mail to everybody and you will create your own password; people who are no longer members will be taken off the site.

RETENTION/ RECRUITING/ MEMBERSHIP:

- Two applicants are up for vote this month. The Greenlees' daughters, Ashley and Rachel, would like to join the Auxiliary (voting on both at the same time).

YES: 15

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

MEMBERS COMING OFF PROBATION:

- It is recommended that Brad Bennett's membership be terminated due to lack of participation after a 3-month extension of his probation.

YES: 15

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

SUNSHINE: None.

OLD BUSINESS

We need a membership vote on supporting Maine-Endwell Baseball with a sign sponsorship of \$100.00 from the Activity Fund. We have done this for years.

YES: 12

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

We need a membership vote on supporting a Maine-Endwell Baseball Team for \$250.00 from the Activity Fund. We have done this for years.

YES: 12

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

We need to vote on sending floral arrangements as the money is coming out of the activity fund. Due to uncertain nature of when these are needed and the time constraints for when they need to be sent, we decided that 30 arrangements at an average of \$75 can be sent throughout the year. These arrangements usually cost an average of \$55 to \$60.

YES: 12

NO: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Thanks to J. Brown for ordering the food for this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

There is no new business this month.

Thank you to A. Green for ordering the refreshments and picking them up.

REFRESHMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING: No volunteers (?)

NUMBER ATTENDING: 16

VOTING: 15

TIME ADJORNED: 20:10

NEXT MEETING: August 6, 2012 at Station 2.

Respectfully submitted by **Karen S. Miga**